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Casey Goodrich cools off at Spanish Banks, a popular — and scenic — destination for skimboarding.

5 things to love

ANDREA WOO
for Metro Vancouver

As the mercury claws its way up the thermometer and Vancouverites crawl cautiously out of their confines and into the summer sun, Metro looks at five of the greatest activities the city has to offer this season.

1 HITTING THE BEACH

Perhaps the most popular way to revel in summer stimuli while doing little to nothing at all is to flop at one of Vancouver's many beaches.

"Chill vibes, good people; it's an awesome environment," said Aurin Savoie, sitting with friends at English Bay, surrounded by volleyball players, sunbathers and random folks sprawled on the grass. "It's a place to relax and get away from the bustle of the city."

Arthur Sapounas, another beachgoer, has gone skimboarding twice in the past week.

"I like Kits and Jericho because they're a bit more mellow," said Sapounas. "I love going for a quick dip to cool off, I love skimboarding. I love the hippie culture at Kits where everyone brings their own things, like volleyballs, skimboards."

Deep Rangi also digs it for the view and relaxed vibe, along with the much-needed vitamin D.

"We only get a couple months of the year that we can really enjoy like this," he said.

Also worth noting are the ever-present buskers at English Bay, the pool and pro tennis players at Kits Beach, the pool and playground at Second Beach and the clothing-free option at Wreck.

2 DRINKING ON A PATIO

Few things epitomize summer better than knocking back a frosty beverage on a sun-drenched patio. Some of Vancouver's finest include the Galley Patio and Grill on Jericho Beach and Bridges Restaurant on Granville Island.

3 OUTDOOR SPORTS

One of the city's most prized offerings is its wide range of outdoor sports, several of which can be tackled in a single day. Easily accessible activities like swimming, kayaking, cycling and hiking are a big part of why Vancouver has been called the healthiest city in Canada.

4 EATING

With high-end restaurants like Lumière, Cioppino's and Blue Water Café, cheap classics like 99 cent pizza and hot dogs from Japa Dog and the overwhelming variety of cuisine in between, Vancouverites are never too far from good food, no matter what the craving.

5 GOING TO THE PNE

Every summer, nearly a million people flock to Hastings Park for the Pacific National Exhibition, now in its 99th year. Highlights include the concerts, the nightly fireworks and, of course, Playland.

Sunny Side

Carradine's family upset over photos

DEATH The family of late actor David Carradine is "profoundly disturbed" by photos published in Thailand that are said to be of Carradine's naked body hanging in his Bangkok hotel room, according to the family's attorney.

Mark Geragos said a statement from the actor's brother, Keith Carradine, shows that the family will take legal action against people or media outlets that publish the photos "for invasion of privacy and causing severe emotional distress."

Carradine

The Thai-language newspaper Thai Rath published photos that it said show the body of Carradine, who died on June 3 in Bangkok where he was filming a new movie called Stretch.

Mystery has surrounded his death following initial reports that he had committed suicide — claims his family has denied repeatedly.

A maid found Carradine hanging in the closet of his hotel suite at Bangkok's plush Swissotel Nai Lert Park hotel.

With coroners awaiting results of toxicology tests, Thai media pointed to suicide or accidental autoerotic asphyxiation as possible causes of death.

Carradine starred in the mid-1970s U.S. television show Kung Fu and the more recent Kill Bill movies.

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Park named in police officer's memory
A new park near Commercial Drive and Broadway has been named in honour of a Vancouver police officer who was killed in the line of duty. Young Park, which opened on Saturday, was built by volunteers in memory of Sgt. Larry Young, who was shot during a drug bust in 1987. METRO VANCOUVER

Local

Bus staff show their skills

More than 70 Coast Mountain Bus employees took part in a driving and maintenance Roadeo competition at the Surrey Transit Centre yesterday. Winners will be sent to take part in the American Public Transportation Association Roadeo in 2010.

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670 cyclists sent to ER in less than a year: Study

UBC More than 670 injured adult cyclists were taken to Vancouver emergency rooms between June 2008 and March 2009, according to a University of B.C. study.

Over the same period, almost 450 cyclists were taken to Toronto emergency rooms.

The study, by Key Teschke, a professor at UBC's school of population and public health, is tracking the number of injured adult cyclists who come through the emergency rooms at St. Paul's Hospital and Vancouver General Hospital.

Injured cyclists are interviewed and their route retraced to examine where and how the injury occurred. The information is then used to identify problem areas and make recommendations on how to improve safety.

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Street hockey hitting town

Up to 300 teams expected for Play On! four-on-four tournament

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The scrape and slap of plastic blades on asphalt will echo through concrete viaduct columns in the shadow of GM Place this weekend as 1,500 participants get set to face off in B.C.'s largest street-hockey tournament.

More than 180 teams have signed up for the annual Play On! four-on-four tournament. Organizer Chris Lee said he expects 250 to 300 teams will be on board when registration closes Wednesday evening.

"That's the thing about street hockey," said Carlo Diano, a project manager with the event.

"Almost everyone has played it growing up here."

The tournament will take place on 25 street "rinks" in a seven-block horseshoe surrounding Andy Livingstone Park on Abbott, Keefer and Quebec streets.

JEFF HODSON/METRO VANCOUVER

Organizers of the Play On! four-on-four street-hockey tournament Jon Margolis, left, Chris Lee, centre, and Carlo Diano outside GM Place in Vancouver yesterday.

The main rink and festival area will be at GM Place's north concourse.

The tournament began six years ago in London, Ont., and has expanded to 12 cities across Canada.

Winners of the elite division in each city will be entered into a championship tournament that will be featured on CBC's Hockey Day in Canada festivities.

But, while the tournament draws talented players, there is a division and category for everybody regardless of skill and age, Lee said.

"With street hockey," Diano added, "pretty much anyone can play it well given a few hours on the street with a ball."

Players should have their own sticks and goalie equipment.

Mullets are optional.

Registration

- Registration for the tournament can be done online at playon.ca or in person on Wednesday at the SportChek in the Pacific Centre.
- A whopping 352 teams signed up for last weekend's tournament in Edmonton.

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WHAT'S ONLINE TODAY

Video The market rally continues to surprise analysts, at **metronews.ca/canada**

Immigration Guidy Mamann on the government's dishonesty in the case of an ex-KGB agent facing deportation from Canada at **metronews.ca/immigration**

Lotteries

Friday, June 5: Lotto Super 7: 8, 25, 27, 33, 34, 43 & 47 Bonus: 01 **Extra:** 15, 34, 59, 67 **Saturday, June 6: Lotto 6/49:** 11, 12, 18, 21, 30 & 37 Bonus: 01 **BC 49:** 04, 17, 18, 29, 40 & 46 Bonus: 23 **Extra:** 06, 37, 52, 73 These results are not official.

Lillooet-area forest fire growing

BATTLE More than 200 firefighters and 11 helicopters were in the Lillooet area yesterday, where they continued to battle a growing forest fire.

The wildfire near Tyaughton Lake, which is located west of Lillooet and north of Whistler, is now estimated at 4,000 hectares — twice its size on Thursday.

This has forced officials to issue an evacuation order for three new communities and to maintain it in three others.

Strong winds from the west and northwest resulted in what wildfire management officials called aggressive fire behaviour, leading the blaze to spread east.

Structural protection units have been brought in to help protect homes in the immediate vicinity of the wildfire.

With dry, hot weather in the forecast, crews will continue to have a tough time trying to contain the fire, which could start to spread again if the wind picks up.

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Roads closed

- Roads in the immediate vicinity of the wildfire are closed. For information go to drivebc.ca.

News in brief

SHOOTING One man is recovering in hospital and two people have been arrested after a shooting at a Surrey house party early yesterday morning. The 22-year-old victim was shot at a home near 168th Street and 80th Avenue at approximately 4 a.m. As police arrived, a man and a woman took off in a vehicle and were caught several blocks away. The RCMP say officers have attended calls at the home before. No names have been released.

METROTOWN Two men have been arrested and two others were taken to hospital with stab wounds after a fight broke out in Metrotown's food court. Mall security caught and held two suspects until police arrived. The victims are expected to recover.

VIDEO Experts hired by the B.C. Civil Liberties Association were unable to retrieve the video of a fatal police shooting in Vancouver from a bystander's cellphone.

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Government members to be sworn in today

Premier Gordon Campbell and his B.C. Liberals will be sworn in as members of the legislative assembly during a ceremony in Victoria at noon today. Carole James and her New Democrats will be sworn in at 2 p.m. METRO VANCOUVER

Student to face 11 charges

FACEBOOK LIST An 18-year-old man accused of posting a hit list with 117 names on Facebook will face 11 charges as a young offender.

The student at Templeton Secondary School in East Vancouver was initially facing seven charges after police found a cache of weapons at his home, including a shotgun.

At the time, police said some of the offences may have occurred before the suspect turned 18, which prevented media from reporting his name.

Four new charges have since been added and lawyers agreed to try the case in youth court.

As a young offender the suspect's identity cannot be released. He was arrested on May 31 after six students at Templeton reported the hit list to police.

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Sportscaster auditions set for Wednesday

NATIONWIDE The Score, a cable sports channel, is in Vancouver Wednesday as part of a nationwide hunt to find a new on-air personality.

Drafted: The Search for Canada's Next Sportscaster is holding regional auditions in seven Canadian cities, including Calgary today and Vancouver on Wednesday.

Five contestants will be flown to Toronto to compete in a series of challenges. Footage from the regional auditions will be featured in a new reality TV series that will run this fall on the Score.

For info visit drafted.ca.

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Beluga's birth 'picture perfect'

Hundreds witness as whale delivers female calf after four hours of labour

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Staff and excited visitors at the Vancouver Aquarium welcomed a new baby beluga whale into their marine family yesterday — the aquarium's second beluga birth in less than a year.

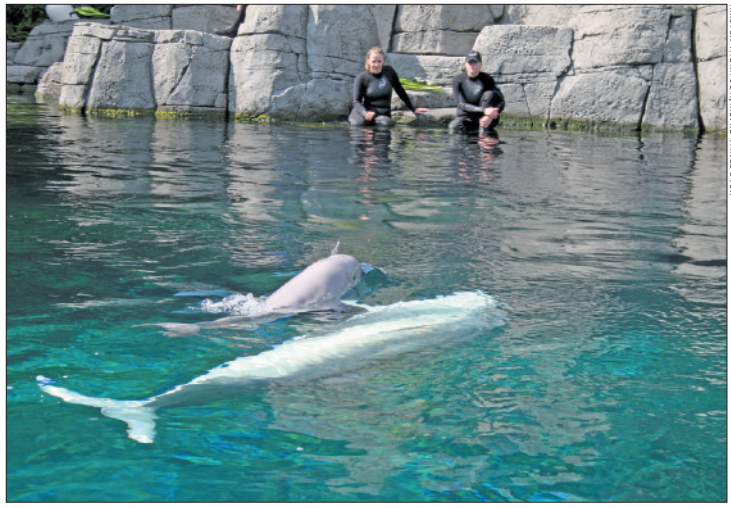
Aurora, 21, who is already a grandmother, went into labour just before noon, and four hours later her baby was born — or "hatched," according to one little girl who watched the event with her mom.

The aquarium invited the public to watch the birth and hundreds of spectators, volunteers and staff erupted in cheers when the female calf finally emerged and swam to the surface for its first breath.

Viewers in the underwater observation deck were on pins and needles, gasping each time the calf partially emerged and then went back in.

Some cheered Aurora on, saying "push" and "you can do it."

"I could see the baby was moving in mommy's tummy and its tail was wiggling," said Donny Fu, 5, who watched the birth with his parents.



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Aurora, a 21-year-old beluga whale, swims with her daughter who was born yesterday at the Vancouver Aquarium.

All in the family

- Aurora's daughter Qila gave birth to her first calf, a female named Tiqa, on June 10, 2008.
- The Vancouver Aquarium's lone male, Imaq, is the father of Qila and Aurora's calves.

"I could see (her) come out and go in and out and in. Everyone was excited and I was excited, too."

Clint Wright, senior vice-president of operations with the aquarium, said the birth went swimmingly.

"It was an absolutely picture perfect birth," he said. "Aurora is a very experienced mother and she just looked calm and relaxed. They bonded right away."

Wright said staff will be monitoring the pair closely over the next few hours to make sure the calf starts to nurse.

Polls show 55% in B.C. are OK with ex-agent staying

More than half of British Columbians — 55 per cent — say a former KGB agent who has taken sanctuary at a Vancouver church, and his family, should not be deported, according to a survey by AngusReid Strategies.

Sympathy for Mikhail Lennikov isn't so high elsewhere in the country where only 41 per cent of respondents think the family should be allowed to stay.

Lennikov worked for the now-defunct Soviet intelligence agency in the 1980s as a translator. As a former KGB employee he needs special permission from the Minister of Public Safety to remain in Canada. His wife and son were allowed to stay, but Lennikov was ordered deported to Russia after 11 years in Canada.

Most British Columbians surveyed, 71 per cent, said they don't think Lennikov poses a threat to Canada, an opinion shared by 47 per cent of Canadians.

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Deportation

- One in five Canadians surveyed —19 per cent — said the entire Lennikov family should be deported.

Olympic tix sell like hotcakes

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

More than 1,000 remaining tickets for the men's gold-medal hockey game sold out in "mere minutes" during this weekend's second phase of Olympic tickets sales, VANOC announced.

About 200,000 tickets were made available to the public on Saturday at 10 a.m. with men's gold-medal hockey, along with opening ceremony, speedskating and figure skating among the first tickets to be purchased.

Demand remained strong throughout the first part of the day, as more than 22,000 orders for 130,000 tickets were placed from Canadians across the country.

"We anticipated demand would be high for tickets, and the level of interest we saw today was very exciting and, once again, a testament to the pride and support Canadians continue to show in being part of Canada's Games in 2010," said Caley Denton, VANOC vice-president, ticketing and consumer marketing.

During the rush for tickets on Saturday morning, the vancouver2010.com website experienced traffic of more than 1,300 hits per second and by noon had set a record for page views at more than five million.

For those still looking for tickets, or disappointed that an event is sold out, VANOC is launching an authorized ticket resale program later this year that would ensure resold tickets are legitimate.

A third, smaller phase of ticket sales is also planned for this fall. METRO VANCOUVER

Paralympic demand

- Last month, VANOC opened the sale of tickets to the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games. Strong demand saw all available inventory of gold-medal ice sledge hockey game tickets sold on the first day.

News in brief

OFFICER CHARGED A Surrey RCMP officer has been charged with two counts of assault, one in connection with a driver he pulled over in 2008, the second in connection with an incident while he was off-duty. Const. Joe Kane is currently off the job due to illness.

MISSING CYCLIST Vancouver Police are asking for the public's help in finding a missing man. Daniel Hughs, 29, was last seen Friday morning on his way out for a bike ride. He was riding a black and yellow Marinoni with racing handlebars, a water bottle holder and mirrors.

REMAINS Human skeletal remains have been found on an undeveloped parcel of land in Nanaimo, CBC News Online reports. A couple interested in buying the lot came across the remains and called the police. The remains have been sent to the RCMP forensics lab in Vancouver for analysis.

EXPLOSION Ridge Meadows RCMP are investigating an explosion in Maple Ridge but are unsure what blew up, news1130.com reports. Police arrived at the scene after receiving calls from neighbours about an explosion. Investigators found unidentifiable scorched debris.

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Tories take aim at faint-hope clause

The Conservative government is introducing legislation to repeal the so-called faint hope clause that enables criminals convicted of first- and second-degree murder to apply for parole earlier than their sentence allows, CBC News Online reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Parties far from majority: Polls

The Liberals hold a narrow lead over the Conservatives, but neither party has a good chance of winning a majority government in a new election, according to two polls published Saturday. A Nanos poll showed the Liberals with 37 per cent likely voter support, compared to 32 per cent for the Conservatives, while an Ipsos Reid poll put the figures at 36 per cent to 33 per cent in favour of the Liberals, led by Michael Ignatieff, left. REUTERS

Liberals backing drug-crime legislation

BILL C-15 Liberal MPs are set to give the Conservative government help tonight in passing tough new drug-crime legislation, despite the risk of a backlash at the party grassroots.

Under the bill, soon to be law, people convicted of serious drug crimes will automatically face prison terms of six months or longer. The legislation is particularly tough on any offender who traffics drugs or gets young people involved in drug crimes.

Federal Justice Minister Rob Nicholson has said the tougher sentences are aimed at "serious drug traffickers, the people who are basically out to destroy our society."

Critics of the measures, however, argue that this law does nothing to rehabilitate drug users and that it will simply mean more crowding in prisons. Some have suggested that a person found with one marijuana plant will be tossed in jail.

Most witnesses who came before the Commons committee examining Bill C-15 argued against the legislation.

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Iggy promises more city cash

MUNICIPALITIES Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff promised Canada's mayors and local councillors a bigger share of government revenues and that he will revive a national housing strategy he said the Liberals were wrong to kill during a period of downloading by the federal government in the 1990s.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Buy American policy worries cities

Municipalities threaten retaliation by supporting controversial tit-for-tat response

Canadian municipal leaders threatened to retaliate against the Buy America movement in the United States, warning trade restrictions will hurt both countries' economies.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities endorsed a controversial proposal to support communities that refuse to buy products from countries that put trade restrictions on products and services from Canada.

The measure is a response to a provision in the U.S. economic stimulus package passed by Congress in February that says public works projects should use iron, steel and other goods made in the United States.

"This U.S. protectionist policy is hurting Canadian firms, costing Canadian jobs and damaging Canadian efforts to grow our economy in the midst of a worldwide recession," said Sherbrooke, Que., Mayor Jean Perrault, also president of the federation that represents cities and towns across Canada.

Border business

- The United States is Canada's largest trading partner, and Canadians have complained the restrictions will bar their companies from billions of dollars in business that they have previously had access to.

Trade Minister Stockwell Day told the group Friday that Ottawa was actively negotiating with Washington to get the Buy American restrictions removed.

The measure's supporters agreed to modify it slightly by suspending implementation for 120 days, in order to give Canadian trade officials and U.S. critics of the Buy American rules more time to work on the issue. The only Canadian community to enact an anti-Buy American purchasing rule so far is Halton Hills, Ont., where a major employer, Hayward Gordon, is worried about losing its access to the United States.

The company's water-treatment equipment includes parts that are produced in the United States, and critics of the Buy American rule say that is an example of how the restriction could end up costing U.S. jobs.

"Leaders in the United States have to understand this could have unintended consequences," said Clark Somerville, acting mayor of Halton Hills, which sponsored the measure approved by the federation delegates. REUTERS

Toronto **Rocking in the free world**

ANDREW WALLACE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Guitars are raised in the air after a crowd played Neil Young's Helpless in a failed bid to set a world record at Yonge-Dundas Square in Toronto. The final tally in a bid to get the biggest gathering of guitars was 1,623 participants, about 10 per cent shy of the record of 1,802, set in Germany in 2007.

Politicos meet for marketing advice

MARKETING Politicians may need to be slick at selling, but it's marketing — a far more sophisticated craft — that has become the key to winning in Canadian elections, according to political science experts.

Marketing, in fact, may spell the difference between who wins and loses when Canadians next go to the polls, according to political scientists who gathered at Carleton University in Ottawa recently for a whole day of sessions on what some have called the "dark art" of political marketing.

Political marketing has been going on in Canada for a long time – way back to 1993, in fact, when Jean Chretien was donning denim shirts and remaking the Liberal "brand" to be more business-friendly.

But the big MOPs (or marketing-oriented parties) on the block these days in Canada are the ruling Conservatives, who have been using political marketing to hone their message. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

More cash for flu research

HEALTH Health officials created a network of researchers on Friday to speed up influenza research, saying they will test new vaccines against influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu.

The network of 80 scientists from 30 research and public health institutions will get $10.8 million over three years, Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq said.

"We have put this research network in place ahead of schedule to help us respond to the current flu outbreak," she said.

"Through this network, scientists from across the country will play a critical role in helping to protect the health of Canadians and their families." REUTERS

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Reading falling out of favour?

Less than half of Ontario's Grade 6 students say they like to read — a number that has dropped dramatically over the last decade.

Even among younger students in Grade 3, just 59 per cent enjoy reading, down from 76 per cent over the same period, according to provincial data.

These are startling statistics that need attention, says advocacy group People for Education, which is releasing its annual tracking report today.

There's no clear answer as to why: Do they just dislike novels? It is the lure of technology? Do Grade 6 students like anything at all? But executive director Annie Kidder wonders whether intense pressure is dampening desire to pick up a book.

"In England, there's a worry that because the focus is on literacy that is a very narrow definition of the word — the mechanics of reading — that a love of reading is not being engendered," said Kidder.

"There is a possibility that this is having the opposite of the desired effect — yes, you are building the skill but are you building the habit, the love (of reading)?"

The report also notes there are fewer and fewer teacher-librarians in the province, and their studies have shown that students in schools with teacher-librarians are more likely to say they like to read.

Having librarians in school libraries that are open most of the time and well stocked can make all the difference, Kidder said. Teacher-librarians can also help classroom teachers find resources for units.

As part of the annual standardized tests for students in Grades 3 and 6, the Education Quality and Accountability Office asks them to respond to the statement "I like to read." The number saying they do has been on the decline since 1999.

Michael Kozlow, the agency's director of data, said the use of technology is one possible explanation, but the agency doesn't know the exact reason. It plans to ask students next year about what they read.

He noted the number of students who believe they are good readers has increased from 55 per cent in 1998 to 67 per cent today.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Agency boss fired in Ontario over spending scandal

HEALTH RECORDS Ontario Health Minister David Caplan has fired the controversial head of the electronic health records agency eHealth Ontario amid a multimillion-dollar contracts scandal.

Caplan said yesterday the agency's board asked that Sarah Kramer's appointment be revoked because controversy surrounding spending and expenses since she came on board last November "threatens to delay initiatives" at the new agency.

Earlier in the day, a government source said Kramer's departure came after "mutual agreement" between the board and the government.

Late last month, documents obtained by CBC News showed the health agency doled out $4.8 million in contracts without any apparent attempt to open up the deals to outside bidders during the first four months after its creation in September 2008.

The agency paid consultants millions of dollars for — among other things — watching TV, reading the New York Times and holding a conversation on the subway.

Executives at two companies that were awarded untendered contracts from eHealth Ontario had close personal connections to the CEO and board chairman, CBC News learned.

Kramer attracted special attention because she received a bonus of $114,000, approved in early March, when she was only months into the job.

CBC NEWS ONLINE

Tips flood in after girl's memorial

MISSING Hundreds of tips have been flying into the newly opened Victoria (Tori) Stafford Tip Line in the aftermath of a memorial service for the eight-year-old missing since April from Woodstock, Ont.

Police hope a caller can inch them closer to finding the girl's remains. A man and woman are accused of her murder.

"The intensive search for the remains of Victoria Stafford continues on all fronts and we are encouraging the public to use this new tip line to call in information," said Ontario Provincial Police Det. Insp. William Renton.

The memorial drew 800 people to a church to hear speeches from Tori's family.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

New Orleans mayor quarantined in China

New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin, left, has been quarantined in Shanghai after possible exposure to influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, after travelling on a plane to China with a person who is being treated for symptoms of the virus. CNN reports Nagin has no signs of the illness. METRO NEWS SERVICES

World

Acapulco shootout kills 18

Eighteen people were killed in a shootout between drug gangs and soldiers in the Mexican beach resort of Acapulco, the army said yesterday. The gun battle near tourist hotels was a further blow to Mexico's tourism industry, already reeling from the influenza A epidemic. REUTERS

U.S. reporters get 12 yrs. in N. Korea

COURTS North Korea said early yesterday it had found two U.S. journalists guilty of entering the state illegally and sentenced both to 12 years of hard labour, a step likely to compound diplomatic strains with Washington.

The female journalists, Euna Lee and Laura Ling, of U.S. media outlet Current TV, were arrested while working on a story near the border between North Korea and China.

Analysts say the two have become bargaining chips in high-stakes negotiations with the United States. REUTERS

Netanyahu wants clarity with U.S.

MIDDLE EAST Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said yesterday he would strive for "maximum understanding" with Washington on peace issues but gave no sign he intends to bow to its demand to halt settlement expansion. Under pressure from U.S. President Barack Obama over settlements in the occupied West Bank and Palestinian statehood, which Netanyahu has not endorsed, the Israeli leader said he would set out his policies in a major speech later this month. REUTERS

Netanyahu

News in brief

AUSTRALIA Hundreds of Indian students marched in Sydney, Australia, yesterday to protest a spate of violent attacks that victims have called racist.

FIRE The death toll from a fire at a daycare centre in Hermosillo, Mexico rose to 41 children yesterday and a dozen more fought for their lives in hospital. REUTERS

Hezbollah voted down

An anti-Syrian coalition defeated Hezbollah in Lebanon's parliamentary election yesterday in a blow to Syria and Iran and a boost to the United States.

HUSSAM SHBARO/REUTERS

Supporters of Future Movement, loyal to Sunni Leader Saad al-Hariri, celebrate in Beirut.

"Congratulations to Lebanon, congratulations to democracy, congratulations to freedom," the coalition's leader Saad al-Hariri said in a victory speech in Beirut.

The outcome was also welcome news for Saudi Arabia and Egypt, which back Hariri's March 14 alliance — the date of a 2005 rally against Syria's military presence in Lebanon.

"We have lost the election," conceded Michel Aoun, a senior politician close to the bloc of Shiite groups Hezbollah and Amal and Christian ally Michel Aoun. "We accept the result as the will of the people."

The United States, which lists Hezbollah as a terrorist group, has linked future aid to Lebanon to the shape and policies of the next government.

Hezbollah, which says it must keep its arms to deter Israel, is part of the outgoing cabinet.

The anti-Syrian coalition has enjoyed firm backing from many Western countries since the 2005 assassination of Hariri's father Rafik al-Hariri.

The coalition took power in an election following Hariri's killing, but struggled to govern in the face of a sometimes violent conflict with Hezbollah and its allies. REUTERS

More bodies located

CRASH Searchers found 15 more bodies from a crashed Air France jet yesterday and retrieved a large amount of debris from the plane that plunged into the Atlantic ocean in the worst air disaster since 2001. Nearly a week after the Airbus A330 crashed on its way from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, killing all 228 people on board, a total of 17 bodies have been recovered, following the discovery of two males Saturday. Investigators are considering the possibility the speed sensors on all its Airbus long-haul planes. France has also sent a nuclear-powered submarine that should arrive on Wednesday to search for the black box flight data recorders. REUTERS

Europe takes a right turn

VOTE Centre-right parties retained control of the European Parliament in an election that ended yesterday with a record-low turnout but which spared most big national governments from embarrassing defeats.

Partial results showed the European People's Party crushed the Socialists and would remain the main group in parliament, strengthening its ability to set the agenda in an assembly that passes many of the European Union's laws and its budget.

43% Estimated turnout among the 375 million eligible European voters

The governing centre-right groups won in Germany, France, Poland and Italy, and Green parties did well on a bad night for the Socialists, who failed to cash in on widespread discontent with Europe's handling of the global economic crisis.

Turnout was a record-low 43 per cent. Exit polls and early results showed ruling parties beaten or heading for defeat in some of the countries worst hit by the crisis — Britain, Ireland, Latvia, Greece, Hungary, Bulgaria and Spain. Many voters are worried by rising unemployment and say the EU has done too little to tackle the economic crisis, although it eventually poured in money to try to revive Europe's economy.

Others regard it as having little impact on their daily lives. Critics of the 27-state European Union may seek to use the low turnout among the 375-million electorate as evidence the parliament lacks legitimacy and the bloc has lost contact with its 495 million citizens.

Although there are no formal or direct consequences for governing parties defeated in the election, they could face increased pressure for changes of policy or personnel. REUTERS

Britain elects extreme-right member

• Britain has elected its first extreme-right politician to the European Parliament. Results announced yesterday in voting for the European Parliament showed the British National Party has won a seat in northern England. The far-right party does not accept non-whites as members.

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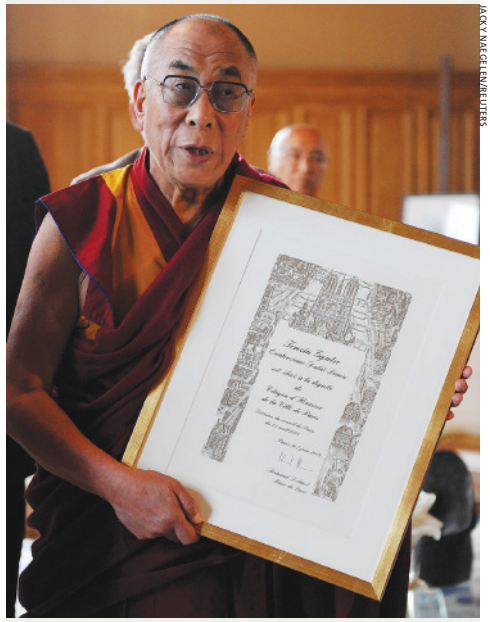

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Exiled Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama holds an award after being name an honorary citizen of Paris yesterday.

News in brief

GAZA Israeli forces killed at least four Palestinian militants who tried to cross into the Jewish state from the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip earlier today, Palestinian residents and Hamas security officials said. The clash occurred when a group of Palestinian gunmen, under cover, opened fire on an Israeli patrol near the border fence, Hamas said.

IRAQ Iraqi forces detained five U.S. contractors in connection with the killing of a fellow American last month in Baghdad, a spokesman said. REUTERS

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Investors ask U.S. top court to delay Chrysler sale

Indiana pension funds asked the U.S. Supreme Court yesterday to immediately delay the sale of bankrupt automaker Chrysler LLC to a group led by Italian carmaker Fiat SpA while they challenge the deal. The pension funds have argued the sale unlawfully rewarded unsecured creditors such as the union ahead of secured lenders. REUTERS

Business

China's growth to surprise: Soros

Financier George Soros, left, said yesterday that China's global influence is set to grow faster than most people expect, with its isolation from the global financial system and a heavy state role in banking aiding a relatively swift economic recovery. "In many ways, Chinese banking has benefited from being isolated from the rest of the world and is in better shape than the international banking system," he said at Shanghai's Fudan University. REUTERS

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Forestry niche products touted

Makers of items like phone poles squeezing out profits

Investors searching for a hint of good news from the beleaguered Canadian forestry sector may want look at the telephone poles outside their houses or at a nearby railroad line.

The recession has battered sales of lumber for housing construction, but utilities still need to replace aging poles and railroads have to maintain their track — something both may do more of as government stimulus spending kicks in.

That's good news for Stella-Jones Inc., which makes poles and railroad ties by treating wood it buys from sawmills. It has also produced something in short supply this year for Canadian companies linked to trees: A profit.

"I'm not going to say it's recession proof, but we don't get hit the same way," said Stella-Jones chief executive Brian McManus.

Stella-Jones, Sino-Forest Corp., Fortress Paper and Cascades Inc. are cited by analysts as examples of companies that offer at least a bit of earnings shelter from the current economic storm through their specialized products.

"I'm not going to say it's recession proof, but we don't get hit the same way (as traditional forestry companies)."
Brian McManus, Stella-Jones Inc.

"Even in a recession we still blow our noses," said BMO Capital Markets analyst Stephen Atkinson about Cascades, which uses recycled paper fibres to produce tissue paper and packaging products.

Sino-Forest operates tree plantations in China, while Fortress produces security paper in Europe that is used to make banknotes. Both are Canadian corporations.

REUTERS

Loonie tumbles after jobs reports

CURRENCY The Canadian dollar fell to its lowest level in a week against the U.S. currency Friday after Canadian and U.S. jobs figures painted a mixed picture of the progress by the two economies as they try to emerge from recession.

Canada shed nearly 42,000 jobs in May and the unemployment rate surged to an 11-year high of 8.4 per cent, up from eight per cent in April.

In the United States, employers cut 345,000 jobs last month, the fewest since September and far fewer than forecast, triggering gains by the U.S. dollar. The U.S. unemployment rate, however, raced to 9.4 per cent from 8.9 per cent in April.

The loonie finished at its lowest level since May 27 at 89.37 U.S. cents.

"We're seeing some pronounced weakness here, though it largely reflects a generalized strength in the U.S. dollar following the stronger than expected employment numbers," said Paul Ferley, assistant chief economist at Royal Bank of Canada.

REUTERS

In brief

APPLE A surprise appearance by Apple Inc. chief executive Steve Jobs at the company's annual developer conference today could boost its stock, but his absence might trigger a move in the other direction.

WIRELESS Small crowds gathered Saturday for the official launch of Pre, the smartphone seen as Palm Inc.'s best chance to claw back market share from Apple Inc. and Research In Motion Ltd. REUTERS

Germany Retail group seeks aid

FABRIZIO BENSCH/REUTERS

Employees of luxury department store Kaufhaus des Westens (KaDeWe), an iconic store in what used to be the commercial heart of West Berlin, take part in a silent vigil in Berlin yesterday. Stricken German retail and tourism group Arcandor AG has launched a fresh attempt to get help from the German government as it battles to avoid insolvency.

ADVERTISING FEATURE

eBay Sellers are Making $5,000-10,000+ a Month

By James Ryder

Why settle for mediocre pay and long hours when it is possible to make over $100,000 a year from the comfort of your home?

Over 170 million people are registered eBay users and 1.3 million are making a full-time living through online auctioning, leaving their everyday jobs.

Dan Lok, online auction and internet expert, is one of many people who have left the mundane aspect of a 9-to-5 desk job and begun to make his own income at home. Now Lok is making around $10,000 a month.

"People shouldn't wait until they find themselves out of a job before they find out they are not financially secure," Lok said. "They should start ensuring their own and their family's financial future immediately."

Not only does eBay allow people to make money and get rid of some things that may no longer be of use, there are more benefits than cash. If a seller can make $1,000 a month or more, they can qualify for most of the same benefits that are available in a regular 9-to-5 job, such as health, vision and dental. Over 200,000 members of eBay qualify for these benefits and more.

Paolo M. supplements her income with eBay and the Internet

Not only does using eBay at home cut back on paying for gas and having to deal with the hassle of rush hour traffic, but also consumer demands through the Internet are continually growing, allowing for a higher income rate per seller.

One source says on average one car is sold every two minutes, a car part or accessory sold every three seconds, diamond jewelry every eighty-three seconds, and a pair of Timberland shoes every ten minutes. These items and more, from concert tickets to stamps and coins, are sold daily by average people looking to gain an income or better their current cash flow.

"Anybody can do it if they know the right technique," Lok said. "With the right techniques it's easy to make extra income."

It is rather easy to get started in the process and become acquainted with the techniques.

With a little homework, access to an Internet-ready computer, and some basic computer knowledge, anyone can be on their way to becoming a member of the fastest growing community in the Canada and the U.S.

"Why wait to win the lottery," Lok said, "when selling on eBay is like winning the lotto every day."

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"I have recently sold a few items on eBay… Before listing fees and shipping cost, I have made $7,202.50… I would consider this to be a good profit."
— Jeremy W.

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No rhyme nor reason

HineSight

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The other day I heard an appalling statistic. Brace yourself. Fewer Canadians regularly read poetry than regularly dust their ceiling fans. I was shocked. I had no idea we were supposed to dust ceiling fans. I thought they just turned around and the dust fell off.

Anyway, it occurred to me that maybe what's keeping Canadians from wanting to read or write poetry is that we don't know much about it. That, and not enough words rhyme with "hockey."

So, I present:

The HineSight Poetry Primer.

1) What is a poem?

A poem is an attempt to describe feelings and ideas in the fewest words possible. This is why men make particularly good poets.

Her: I feel like we're in a totally committed, together, "Barack and Michelle" kind of place right now, don't you?

Him: Um ... What?

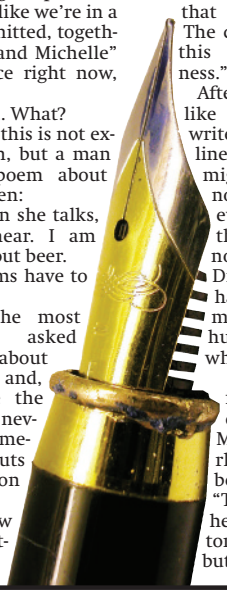
Of course, this is not exactly a poem, but a man writing a poem about this might pen:

Him: When she talks, I do not hear. I am thinking about beer.

2) Do poems have to rhyme?

This is the most commonly asked question about poetry. That and, "How come the Griffin Prize never goes to someone who puts limericks on washroom walls? Now that's poetry."

Sunny Side



In the last century, there has been a preference for writing poetry that doesn't rhyme. The correct term for this is "sheer laziness."

After all, it's not like these people write more than 15 lines at most. We might not expect a novelist to rhyme everything, although there's no reason Moby Dick couldn't have begun "Call me Ishmael/I'm hunting a big whale."

But, after the first 600 pages of an Ann Marie McDonald novel, rhyming might become tedious: "Things are bad here in Cape Breton/They'd all quit but the boss won't let 'em." Poets who won't rhyme are, frankly, just slackers.

3) What is meant by "poetic ambiguity?"

This is a device of having two equally true meanings for one phrase.

For example, my recent opus, Ode To Viking Boat Rowing, contains the lines, "I'm tired and sweaty and my muscles are shot/On top of that, my butt is hot."

This can mean either, "I have a very nice looking rear end," or "I won't be able to sit down tomorrow."

Finally ...

4) Why write poetry at all?

Imagine, "Work today is toil and trouble/Fetch me a latte on the double."

Or, simply, "If you're late/forget our date."

It's not just life. It's poetry.

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Worth mentioning

Poll finds firefighters are most trusted professionals

Firefighters are the most trusted professionals in Europe and the United States, and politicians the least, with bank employees considerably less trusted than a year ago, according to a survey released Friday.

After a year in which much of the world slid into recession led by a crisis in the financial sector, just 37 per cent of respondents to a survey by market research institute GfK said they trusted bankers, compared with 45 per cent a year ago.

Firefighters were trusted by 92 per cent of respondents, and politicians by 18 per cent.

Some of the biggest variations between the countries included in the survey — 16 European countries and the United States — were found in levels of trust in the church, the police and judges.

The clergy is trusted by 88 per cent of Romanians but just 26 per cent of Greeks, for example, while just 37 per cent of the Russians surveyed said they trusted the police, compared with 88 per cent in Germany.

REUTERS

Views

Cycling plan goes beyond lip service

InTransit

Derek Moscato

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Last week, while cycling home from the office, I was almost flattened by a car charging through a red light. This came moments after I was nearly run off the road by another careless motorist who mistook my bike lane for a turning lane of his own.

Welcome to Bike Month in Metro Vancouver.

This being June, the annual push is on to get locals onto this more sustainable mode of transport.

But don't be fooled by the cheery speeches or beefed-up Critical Mass rides: Bike mode share — the number of cyclists on the road compared to motorists, transit riders or pedestrians — is disappointingly small in this region.

This shouldn't be.

But a major sticking point for many would-be cyclists is safety. Some folks don't feel comfortable riding with traffic.

And why should they, when bikes lanes have become the domain of parked airporter buses and delivery trucks, not to mention wayward cars.

So it's encouraging to see local leaders going beyond the usual paying of lip service on this issue, and making some real headway.

As Coun. Geoff Meggs noted on his blog last week, Vancouver city council has recently committed to double its spending on cycling.

The investment will go toward improving existing bike routes, creating new cyclist-activated signal crossings and other infrastructure, plus car-free trials in four neighbourhoods. There's also a long-term, much-needed plan focused on bike lanes that are separated from traffic.

All of this represents real progress — and a template that other jurisdictions in Metro Vancouver would be wise to emulate.

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TransLink didn't waste any time responding to my column last week, detailing my frustration waiting for the No. 44 bus — a service that never arrived — on a recent morning. According to spokesperson Drew Snider, the bus was rerouted because of unannounced roadwork by the City of Vancouver.

Getting information out about such a last-minute rerouting, says Snider, involves process and time — in this case, 45 minutes until it was announced on TransLink's website.

Still, during my wait, no notice was posted to the bus stop. And for nearly an hour, TransLink's customer information agents were themselves left in the dark.

But I'm sympathetic to Snider's assertion that "stuff happens."

Of course it does — and most folks would agree. The key is that when it does, the best information is relayed to transit customers as soon as humanly possible.

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Metro Online Poll Results

19% SAID YES	Should Canada accept former Guantanamo detainees? *Weigh in on today's question at metronews.ca*	81% SAID NO

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George Foreman wins debut

George Foreman III won his professional boxing debut, stopping Clyde Weaver at 1:16 of the first round Saturday night. Foreman, the 26-year-old son of two-time world heavyweight champion George Foreman, floored Weaver with a left hook to the chin. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Van Koeverden takes silver

Adam van Koeverden, left, and the doubles team of Gabriel Beauchesne-Sevigny and Andrew Russell captured silver medals yesterday to highlight a six-medal day for Canada at a paddling World Cup event in Hungary. Van Koeverden, from Oakville, Ont., was second in the men's kayak singles 500 metres to collect his fourth World Cup medal of the season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Sports in brief

F1 Formula One leader Jenson Button ran away with the Turkish Grand Prix yesterday for his sixth win in seven races. Mark Webber was runner-up for Red Bull, taking the checkered flag 6.7 seconds behind the Brawn to equal his best finish, with teammate Sebastian Vettel third after starting on pole. REUTERS

For a complete recap of last night's NBA Finals action, visit: **metronews.ca/sports**

Tiger storms back at Memorial

GOLF Tiger Woods came from four strokes behind to win the Memorial tournament by a shot yesterday, sealing his 67th PGA Tour victory with a dramatic birdie-birdie finish.

Helped by one of the best driving displays of his career, the world No. 1 rammed in a nine-footer at the 17th before hitting an exquisite approach to 14 inches at the par-four last.

He tapped in the putt for his seventh birdie of the day and a seven-under-par 65 at Muirfield Village Golf Club before removing his cap to acknowledge the roars from the crowd.

"That was unbelievable." Tournament host Jack Nicklaus

Woods won the tournament for a record fourth time with a 12-under total of 276, finishing ahead of Jim Furyk, who rolled in a 22-foot birdie putt at the 18th for a 69.

"That was unbelievable," tournament host Jack Nicklaus said to Woods as he shook hands with the 14-times major champion on the edge of the 18th green.

Jonathan Byrd, who held a two-shot lead with six holes to play, battled over the tough closing stretch to card a 72 and share third place at 8-under. REUTERS

Federer completes career grand slam

World No. 2 takes French Open and ties Sampras

Roger Federer clinched his first French Open title when he swept past Swede Robin Soderling 6-1, 7-6, 6-4 in yesterday's final.

The 27-year-old Swiss world No. 2, who held serve throughout, equalled American Pete Sampras's record of 14 grand slam titles.

He became the sixth player to win all four grand slam tournaments after one hour 55 minutes, completely outplaying the 23rd-seeded Soderling, who had ended world No. 1 Rafael Nadal's four-year reign on the Paris clay in the fourth round.

Federer raced through the first set in just 23 minutes and served four aces to bag the second-set tiebreak 7-1 before putting Soderling out of his misery on his first match point. REUTERS

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Roger Federer lifts the trophy yesterday as he celebrates his win over Robin Soderling in the men's final at the French Open.

MLS game less than beautiful when top players are away

JustSoccer

Ben Rycroft

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The clock is ticking and we are now just 367 days away from the start of the 2010 FIFA World Cup in South Africa. For soccer fans, it is the culmination of everything that is good in the game they love.

For one month, the world stands still and watches as heroes are born and losers are, well, in some cases, shot.

Much of the discussion in the last year has centred on whether South Africa will be ready in time.

After years of worker strikes and stadium funding concerns, it does appear now that South Africa will, indeed, be ready come June 10, 2010.

But, and it might seem like a strange question, will MLS be ready for 2010?

Last summer, we were witness to how underprepared MLS is when it comes to FIFA dates. Teams were gutted as players headed off to compete for their country in World Cup qualifying. Few provisions were made to accommodate those teams that were going to be hit hard and the MLS schedule continued on as though nothing else were happening.

This past weekend, on a FIFA qualifying date, nearly every other league in the world was on hiatus or had finished its season.

MLS? Well, it continued on pretending as though nothing had happened.

Meanwhile, nearly every team in the league was missing one key player or another. Toronto FC was missing Amado Guevara and Marvell Wynne. Their opponent, the LA Galaxy, was missing Landon Donovan (their leading scorer) — not to mention David Beckham (I say, not to mention, because he is not worth mentioning.)

Upsets were had, outcomes were affected and overall, with a worse product on the pitch, the league and its fans were the big losers.

And next year, when the whole world stands still to watch the beautiful game at its best, the MLS will keep on playing. MLS needs to find a way to get on the FIFA calendar and stop league games for weekends like this; otherwise fans will continue to be treated to Minor League Soccer. And there is nothing beautiful about that.

FIFA dates

- A FIFA date is a fixed date on the soccer calendar on which leagues associated with FIFA — soccer's governing body — generally do not schedule regular games in order to accommodate demand for players at international fixtures.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca.

Pull the plug on electric kettle
Boiling water for tea in a pot on a gas stove uses one-third the energy of a plug-in kettle, according to Godo Stoyke's The Carbon Buster's Home Energy Handbook. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Going Green

Phantom power
Vampire power used by electronics in sleep or off mode sucks up about $27 a year per peripheral. Woods Industries Canada's Eco-Logical Smart Strip surge protector is one solution. It automatically cuts power when devices go into sleep mode. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Easy to eat local

EarthTones

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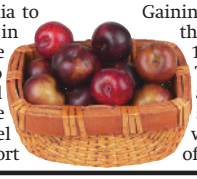
Think Globally, Eat Locally; Eat Local First. Good slogans. Catchy. But why? Eating local food is another potential way to reduce our carbon footprint. If vegetables travel from California to my table, then, in addition to the energy used to grow them and cook them, we also have the fuel used to transport them across the continent on our conscience. This is one of the cornerstones of the eat local movement.



How do we eat local? Local produce is often available in our local grocery stores. Farmers' markets are an excellent way to eat locally and get the freshest produce available. To find a farmers' market near you, you can go to a website sponsored by Agriculture and Agri-foods Canada — farmersmarketscanada.ca. On the "links" page there are links to the provincial farmers' markets associations.

Gaining popularity is the concept of the 100-mile diet. This means that all food consumed is grown within 100 miles of the consumer. It is generally accepted that a few exceptions can be made for things like spices and salt, since only a small amount is used at any one time. What this means is that we can't eat things like bananas and pineapples because they do not grow here. But we can start to enjoy the diversity of food grown locally. For example, until we really started to look, we had no idea so many varieties of apples were available.

Of course, the most local food can get is when you grow it yourself. If you have the space and the knowhow, this can be a great way to save money and feel good about the food you are eating.

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Seeking true green power

Eco-Minded

Kai Chan with Kirsten Harma

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Run-of-river power projects are touted as green energy. In reality, their impact on B.C.'s environment will vary from green to grey. Only appropriate oversight will ensure that run-of-river projects are good for the province.

The big benefit of run-of-river projects is that they provide electric power but produce little global-warming pollution.

Yet there are drawbacks. First, although they are also called micro-hydro, run-of-river projects are often not small. Most projects planned in B.C. are designed for export and too large to qualify as green energy elsewhere.

Second, such projects turn a public resource (a freely running river) into a private commodity. Why should only a few gain the benefits?

Third, when rivers are sold as power-producing natural capital, other values may be lost. Rivers and adjacent ecosystems support fish and wildlife, filter water, and provide a place for recreation; run-of-river projects may undermine those values.

To navigate these pros and cons, we need government oversight and public consultation. However, B.C.'s energy plan does not require Environmental Impact Assessments for run-of-river projects. And legislation does not allow citizens a voice on what should be done with their rivers.

Yes, we need power and we'd like to avoid climate change. But run-of-river power will not be green until industry and government see the big picture: Rivers are not just flowing water, but complex living systems replete with values for B.C.'s citizens.

Let them know

- Let your MLA know your priorities for rivers and power generation (contact info at leg.bc.ca)

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Health care in needle form

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Acupuncture builds a bridge between modern and traditional medicine; Dr. Steven Aung, a sixth-generation practitioner of traditional Chinese medicine and a fully trained medical doctor, crosses it regularly.

The University of Alberta medical professor offers both treatments out of his Edmonton office. He learned acupuncture from his grandfather. "He said to me that we have to be also trained in Western medicine so that we can integrate the two medicines to use the best out of both," Aung explains. "We try to lighten up all the darkness which is called disease and disorder."

Unlike modern medicine, acupuncture is not easily tested by double-blind techniques, Aung says. Its effectiveness is "evidence based" — how patients respond to treatment. It's about self-healing, he says, returning the body to a healthy state. "You are able to re-adjust the whole physiology of internal organs."

Dr. Steven Aung combines western medicine with eastern acupuncture.

In China, Aung says it's explained by "chi" energy flowing over the skin. The chi is disrupted, causing pain, and acupuncture unblocks the energy. "In Western medicine, they don't believe in this, so they go by 'influence circulation' and 'influence general well-being,'" Aung explains.

The doctor, who received the Order of Canada in 2005, says he uses whichever tool will be more helpful. "You have to look at a person as a whole, rather than just a part of a body. In Western medicine, we have a lot of compartmentalization."

The Alberta College of Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine offers a three-year diploma. "The prerequisites aren't that heavy; high school maths and sciences," Dr. Dennis Lee says. "You learn all your points, how to use them, how to needle and how to treat a broad range of conditions.

"It's based on regulating your own body to heal itself. We're not adding anything new into the system, it's just working on many different levels — hormonal, neural, muscular, skeletal and digestive."

After the program, would-be practitioners complete a provincial government licensing exam. The weekend-long test is split into a six-hour practical and four-hour written section.

It's legal for unlicensed people to offer acupuncture, but Lee says for the best care, you'll want to make sure they've passed the government test.

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Workology, in **brief**

UNEMPLOYMENT Canada's unemployment rate rose to 8.4 per cent in May, it's highest level in 11 years, according to a Statistics Canada report released last month. While Ontario experienced substantial employment decline in May, down 60,000 jobs, employment in Manitoba, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan actually increased. Unemployment affected mainly men and women between 25 and 54 years old.

LGBT BARRIERS Despite living in a country with legislated human rights protections for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals, a new Canadian-based study reveals that LGBT employees do, in fact, face barriers in their workplaces that limit their career advancement. The Catalyst study, sponsored by Scotiabank, says this is due to a lack of awareness on the part of other employees which leads them to rely on stereotypes of LGBT individuals and can result in a hostile work environment.

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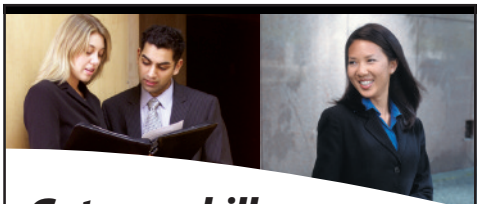

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Dr. Karim Dhanani with a photon therapy machine at his naturopathic clinic in Richmond Hill, Ont.

"I don't consider there to be a greater gift in the world that to give patients their health. It's what drives me."
Dr. Karim Dhanani

Like any good doctor, combating tough illnesses in patients is Dr. Karim Dhanani's goal — he just uses non-traditional methods to do it.

The naturopathic doctor and founder of the Centre for Integrative Medicine in Richmond Hill, Ont., got into naturopathic medicine to help patients regain their health through natural methods.

"I don't consider there to be a greater gift in the world that to give patients their health. It's what drives me," Dhanani said.

The essence of naturopathy, or biological medicine as some practitioners have taken to calling the field, is to administer drugless therapy whenever possible to patients. Contrary to some popular misconceptions about naturopathic medicine, naturopaths like Dhanani do not shun traditional medicine at all, they just want to offer meaningful alternative treatment that can complement traditional methods.

"It's never been about Us vs. Them. The medical system is very good at treating acute illnesses — what I offer is complementary treatment and I have the same vested interest in my patients," Dhanani said.

After obtaining his naturopathic medical degree, he opened the Richmond Hill clinic in 2002 and wanted to positively change attitudes and public perceptions about naturopathy. He says now he can't be bothered worrying about people's assumptions — he cares only about seeing his patients get better.

At the clinic, Dhanani specializes in treatment of chronic illnesses with cancer patients comprising about 30-40 per cent of his roster, with Lyme's disease and other chronic conditions being common among the patients referred to him.

The methods Dhanani uses are internationally recognized and include ionized oxygen therapy, homotoxicology (the study of toxins in the body) and cutting-edge photon therapy pioneered in Germany, which helps regenerate cells in the body, particularly in cases of infection.

Dhanani does a regular battery of clinical tests on each patient before, during and after treatment including traditional urinalysis as well as zinc, bioelectronics, saliva and adrenal tests to see what level of stress the body is under. It's all a part of making sure he can see objective changes in health in his patients.

"It's really important for me that patients get better. I want to get at the root cause of thing. You have to make sure results are reproducible," he said.

Dhanani travels abroad regularly to keep abreast of new developments in naturopathic treatment because he believes keeping up-to-date is crucial in medical treatment, as is personal satisfaction in your work — something Dhanani has plenty of.

"You have to realize that learning is a lifelong process and you truly have to love what you do," he said.

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Sun, surf and the cell

VACATION? Out of sight doesn't necessarily mean out of mind for vacationing executives, a new survey shows. Sixty-one per cent of marketing and advertising executives polled recently said they check in with work at least once a day while on break. This compares to 47 per cent of executives in 2006 and 38 per cent in 2001.

The study was developed by The Creative Group and is based on 250 telephone interviews randomly selected from the nation's 2,000 largest companies.

Advertising and marketing executives were asked, "How often do you check in with work while on vacation?"

"For better or worse, technology has made it easier for professionals to check in with the office from just about anywhere," said Megan Slabinski, executive director of The Creative Group. "While periodic updates may provide peace of mind, being overly connected can detract from the benefits of time spent away from work."

Slabinski noted that careful planning can help employees disengage while on holiday. "Professionals should prepare for their vacation as if they won't be available, rather than planning to check in," said Slabinski. "Handing off projects ahead of time can help workers come back genuinely refreshed."

The Creative Group offers these tips to help professionals make a clean break from the office:

- **Put someone on point:** Managers should select someone whose judgment they trust to make decisions in their absence. It's important to give the point person the responsibility and authority to make judgment calls;
- **Establish ground rules:** If you need to check in, set specific times when you'll be checking in, rather than having people contact you throughout the day;
- **Don't leave them hanging:** Use out-of-office functions to let your clients and customers know when you're away, and provide the names and contact information of colleagues to contact in your absence;
- **Let it go:** Delegate projects that must continue in your absence. Be sure to let coworkers know where to find key materials;
- **Bring in reinforcements:** Hiring temporary or freelance professionals to bridge gaps can help projects stay on course while you're gone.

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Workology In **brief**

ENDOWMENT FUNDS While the endowment funds at many Canadian universities and colleges have devalued over the past year as a result of the market turmoil, Centennial College's endowment fund has done the complete opposite, according to Academica Group. Last year, Centennial's fund actually grew by 42 per cent, from $2.3 million to $7.8 million. Although the college is relatively new to fundraising, it now ranks fourth in fundraising activity among Ontario colleges.

EXPULSION RULES Under a new Ontario law, all school boards must offer alternative programs for students who have been expelled or suspended long-term from their school. As a result, The Toronto District School board has started a program for expelled students where they must prove themselves in order to be allowed back into school. Last year, nearly 13,000 students were suspended and a further 202 expelled from Toronto District School Board schools.

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Lofty dreams
Seventeen-year-old Eric Yam, the Toronto student who won the NASA/NSS Space Settlement Design Competition and was featured in Metro's Workology section recently, was recently given his award by the second man on the moon, Buzz Aldrin. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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From a rodeo clown to monster truck MC

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Jow Scully is a Monster Jam MC.

The Lowdown

Job title: Rodeo MC.
Salary: About $60,000 a year.
Education/training: Knowledge of the rodeo.
Best Part of the Job: "Being a fan with a microphone."
Worst Part of the Job: "Seeing injuries happen. It takes the energy out of the show. And a lot of the times you know them personally."

As soon as he learned how to walk, Joe Scully was given a lasso, and practised roping a bale of hay. When he got older, he started roping real calves in rodeos.

The cowboy-oriented competitions are a passion of his father's, so Scully grew up around bulls, broncos and steers.

At 15, his dad landed him an unusual summer job: Rodeo clown. "You've got to be joking!" Scully responded.

But he did it anyway: Dressed up in loose cowboy clothes and a grease-painted face, Scully would do high jinks in the ring and banter with the MC between acts. He worked for a company that toured around Ontario doing performances on weekends.

He got pretty good at it. His summer job until age 20, Scully developed numerous skits and props — pretending to be a paramedic, driving a clown car — and adored talking over the mic to the crowd.

Thinking he'd like to make this his long-term career, Scully looked for a college program that suited his goal. He found radio broadcasting at Conestoga College in Kitchener, Ont.

School led to DJ work and eventually a job in radio sales. The rodeo company called sometimes, asking him to clown, but he kept turning them down. "But if you need an announcer, I might be interested in that."

Finally, six years ago, he was asked to MC for the spring-to-fall rodeo season. The first two shows did not go well. The rodeo clown refused to banter with Scully — a key part of the job. "I thought I'd be cut." Nope: The rodeo fired the clown and Scully went on to have a great first season calling rodeos on weekends and selling ads for radio during the week.

Now Scully, who's 30 and lives in Erin, Ont., has his MC routine perfected. He does about 30 shows a year and brings three laptops for the job. One's loaded with sound effects, the other his music and the third houses an ever-growing database of information about both the animals and performers in the show.

He preps for each show for about two hours, mostly by collecting more data and reviewing it. While most MCs chat a lot during the show to get the audience riled up, Scully focuses on "quality over quantity" and delivers a lot of facts and stats.

Thanks to word-of-mouth, plus a few awards, Scully now gets works in the United States and Canada, plus he's started calling for Monster Jam (which runs monster truck shows). He stopped selling radio ads years ago, and now supplements his income with a few shifts a week doing service calls for a gas company.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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Entertainment

Full House
The Tanner family — coming to a big screen near you? John Stamos, who played Uncle Jesse on Full House from 1987 to 1995, says he's "working on a movie idea" based on the TV show. USMAGAZINE.COM

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New Moon rising

Metro goes behind the scenes on set of the Twilight sequel

TALIA SOGHOMONIAN
Metro World News

The clouds are low, the sky is grey and moody. It's a perfect day for the vampires to come out — or at least the cast and crew of New Moon, the follow-up to last year's hit film Twilight.

Young fans surrounding Burnaby Park in Vancouver are the borderline between the real world and the one conjured up by Stephenie Meyer, author of the popular Twilight book series.

Within the lush emerald landscape, Hollywood is hard at work. While caterers are preparing snacks and warm drinks for the 80 teenage extras, director Chris Weitz is preparing to film the first sequence of the day. "Action!" he finally yells, and another long day of shooting begins.

As the extras disperse and pretend to be heading toward the makeshift school building, Kristen Stewart, reprising her role as Bella, is greeted by her four best friends singing her happy birthday as she gets out of her truck.

"Cut! Let's do it again!" yells Weitz. After shooting the scene three times, the director asks for one more, "just for safety." And it's in the can. The enormous crew huddles around, preparing for the next sequence.

This is the first in Metro's five part look at New Moon. Tomorrow we chat with actor Taylor Lautner.

This time, Taylor Lautner joins Stewart on set. This scene is crucial — and so is Lautner's character, Jacob, in this second instalment in the series.

In Twilight, he was Bella's friend and a shoulder to cry on; in New Moon, with her love Edward gone away, the two become closer and he reveals some surprising facets of himself, including supernatural powers and a very muscular body for which the actor trained for months.

Ready? Action! Lautner fastens a necklace on Bella. "It catches bad dreams," he tells her. But Bella only dreams of Edward, played by Robert Pattinson. The British actor is leaning nearby on a car, a figment of Bella's imagination. She is continually haunted by memories of this impossible love.

As the cameras roll for the third take, Lautner forgets his lines. "Sorry, I'm totally lost," he laughs. "Cut, reset!" orders Weitz. The cast had a 5 a.m. wake-up call. Lautner outdoes himself in the fourth take. "That was my favourite!" enthuses the director.

The heavy atmosphere of the Vancouver weather seems to temporarily lift as lunch break is declared. Even vampires get hungry, and Pattinson joins us for a quick bite and chat. In full vampirical make-up and sporting yellow contact lenses, we almost expect him to bite us instead of his food.

His role is minimal in New Moon, yet crucial nevertheless, as we see in the next sequence.

Stewart, standing on a platform to reach up to the tall actor, leans in for a kiss. Is it real or is Bella's imagination playing tricks on her again? Fans will have to wait until the movie's November release to find out.

SUMMIT ENTERTAINMENT 2009

Fans will have to wait until the November release of New Moon, the sequel to vampire movie Twilight, to find out what happens to characters played by Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson.

weekend box office

1. **Up:** $44.2 million US
2. **The Hangover:** $43.3 million
3. **Land of the Lost:** $19.5 million
4. **Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian:** $14.7 million
5. **Star Trek:** $8.4 million
6. **Terminator Salvation:** $8.2 million
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	296	654	34 SBK	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)	Punk'd (CC)	South Park	Cheers (CC)	Half & Half	Work Home	Family Court	Paid Program
	298	653	35 TLA	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Gossip Girl (CC)		One Tree Hill (CC)		KTLA Prime News (CC)		Friends (CC)
	295	651	36 WGN	WGN News at Nine (N) (CC)		Family Guy	Two/Half Men	According-Jim	Sex and-City	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	My Wife-Kids
	297	652	37 WPX	PIX News at Ten Tong. (N)		Two/Half Men	Friends (CC)	Sex and-City	According-Jim	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)	Paid Program
	199	311	46 STR	News (N)	News		Late Show-Letterman		Late Late Show		Will & Grace	Seinfeld
news	502	390	53 NW	CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National		Global Hunt for Mr. Swirl		National
	500	500	48 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	52 RSP	MLB Baseball		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		UFC: Access	MMA Conn	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	60 TSN	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			Off the Record	Truth in 24 (2008, Documentary) Premiere.				SportsCentre
	411	457	49 OLN	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Departures (CC)		Mantracker (CC)		Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Departures
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family	552	543	42 YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Malcolm-Mid.	Futurama	League-Evil	Zixx Level	Falcon Beach "Desperados"		Mystery Hnt.
	555	545	50 TEL	Jimmy Two	Total Drama	6TEEN	6TEEN (CC)	Futurama	Punch (CC)	Chicken	American Dad	Moral Orel
	557	541	51 FAM	Wizards-Place	Han. Montana	Zack & Cody	Latest Buzz	Wizards-Place	Life Derek	Ned's School	Cory in House	Zack & Cody
	553	546	65 TRE	Comfy Couch	Big & Small	Max & Ruby	Babar (CC)	Backyard	Ni Hao	Go, Diego, Go!	Franklin	Comfy Couch
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	575	583	20 CMT	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	CMT's Greatest "Interviews"		Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Reba (CC)	Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith
	570	580	24 MM	MuchNews	Video on Trial	One Tree Hill (CC)		Shot at Love-Tila Tequila		MuchNews	Video on Trial	Spotlight
	600	564	29 H&G	House	House	Holmes on Homes (CC)		Property	Income Prop.	My First Place	For Rent	House
	615	520	31 A&E	Obsessed "Nidia; Rick" (N)		Crime 360 (CC)		Intervention "Chris" (CC)		Intervention "Sonia & Julia"		Obsessed
	628	584	32 SPKE	4th and Long (N)		Pros vs. Joes: All Stars (N)		4th and Long		Pros vs. Joes: All Stars (CC)		Shocking
	521	560	34 TLC	Cake Boss (N)	Cake Boss	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Jon & Kate	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Little Couple
	616	522	39 SHO	The Outer Limits (CC)		Cashing In	Kink in Hair	XIII (2009) (Part 1 of 2) Val Kilmer, Stephen Dorff. (CC)				House (CC)
	620	523	40 BVO	Anatomy of Burlesque (CC)		Law & Order "Home Sweet"		Without a Trace "The Bus"		Weird Sex & Snowshoes (CC)		
	601	562	41 SLC	In Laws	In Laws	ET Canada	Til Debt-Part	Real Housewives NYC		Trading Spouses		Biggest Loser
	520	505	42 DIS	Canada's Worst Handyman		Daily Planet (CC)		MythBusters Sayings. (CC)		Canada's Worst Handyman		Dirty Jobs
	522	506	44 HIS	NCIS "Kill Ari" (CC)		Tank Overhaul (CC)		For King and Country (CC)		NCIS "Kill Ari" (CC)		Sea Hunters
	627	528	45 SPC	(6:00) Nature Unleashed: Fire		Stargate SG-1 "Space Race"		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Voyager "Prey"		Star Trek: Ent.
	294	650	47 TBS	Name Is Earl	Name Is Earl	Bill Engvall	Sex and-City	Sex and-City	Underclassman ★ (2005) Nick Cannon, Shawn Ashmore. (CC)			
	619	525	48 TROP	Once a Thief "Mac Daddy"		Carlawood (N)	Prod. Parker	Ground Up		Are You Smarter		E News
	603	561	52 FN	100 Mile Challenge (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Food	Glutton	Food
	626	547	57 COM	Air Farce	Just for Laughs (CC)		Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	Daniel Tosh: Serious		Daily Show
	320	621	30 CEN	Hairspray (CC)	Tracey Ullman	Durham County (CC)		Nurse Jackie	The Line (N) (CC)		U.S. of Tara	Shoot 'Em Up
	581	566	101 MTV	Hills Wedding	Living	Teen Cribs	After	The Hills (CC)		Hills Wedding	Living	MTV Live
	261	394	102 V	The Protestant Revolution		Poltergeist: The Legacy		The Black Stallion ★★★ (1979, Adventure) Kelly Reno, Mickey Rooney. (CC)				
	-	-	103 MUL	Eight Heroes	Kingdom-Wind	Can't Live Without Her		Marimar		Pinoy	Pinoy Records	Patrol World

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How I Met Your Mother
Lily (Alyson Hannigan) turn to Ted and Robin (Josh Radnor, Cobie Smulders) as she and Marshall (Jason Segel) weigh the life-changing pros and cons of having a baby, only to discover that her two friends have decidedly different points of view where parenthood is concerned. Neil Patrick Harris also stars in "Not a Father's Day." 8:30 PM on CBS, JOY

Nurse Jackie
A medical professional with a sharp wit who's hooked on painkillers and will do whatever it takes to get results. No, it's not House. Edie Falco ("The Sopranos") plays the title character in this new comedy-drama series, a nurse in a busy New York hospital who's not afraid to lie or bend the rules if she thinks it's in a patient's best interests. Of course, she's got her personal demons, including chronic back pain. Paul Facinelli also stars. 9 PM on CEN

Cyrus hates green veggies

Miley Cyrus hates green vegetables because they "look funny," femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 16-year-old Hannah Montana star refuses to eat the vitamin-enriched foods because she can't get her head around the "nasty" colour. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

FBI offers Thailand help in Carradine case

INVESTIGATION The FBI has offered its assistance to Thai authorities investigating Thursday's death of actor David Carradine, agency officials tell People.

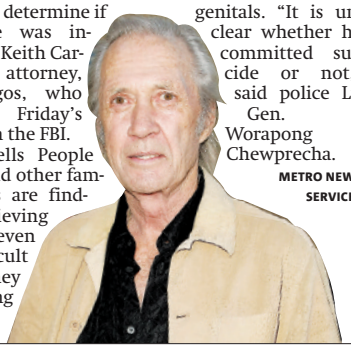
After Carradine's half-brother, Keith Carradine, met Friday with FBI officials in Los Angeles, those officials contacted the FBI's legal attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok "to determine if the Thai authorities are requesting or would welcome FBI assistance in this matter," FBI spokeswoman Laura Eimiller tells People. She adds there is no word yet as to whether Thai authorities will invite the FBI to join their investigation.

The FBI has no jurisdiction in other countries, but occasionally offers assistance investigating the deaths of Americans when foul play is suspected or when the family requests such intervention.

Keith Carradine, 59, "wants authorities to investigate his brother's death, and to determine if anyone else was involved," says Keith Carradine's attorney, Mark Geragos, who arranged Friday's meeting with the FBI.

Geragos tells People that Keith and other family members are finding the grieving process even more difficult because they keep getting conflicting details regarding the condition of Carradine's body when it was discovered.

Thai police had confirmed that a maid found Carradine, 72, nude in the closet of his luxury suite with a rope tied around his neck and one around his genitals. "It is unclear whether he committed suicide or not," said police Lt. Gen. Worapong Chewprecha.



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Fox rejects the big boys

NO CUPCAKE Megan Fox is used to lots of attention from guys, but she's been surprised by the behaviour of some well-established men in Hollywood.

"There are some guys, talking about actors who have been in the business for a while, who are very egocentric and have been able to sleep with a lot of girls for whatever reason, and because they don't know me they think I'm going to be this little cupcake, this Marilyn Monroe type who's going to bat my eyes and be like a receptacle for them," Fox tells British GQ.

But she says that a little public shaming usually does the trick. "I just shut them down immediately, right in front of people. It's been so long since someone has told them no, they don't really know how to deal with it."

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Gibson still wants DNA test

RELATIONSHIP Mel Gibson may seem happy with pregnant girlfriend Oksana Grigorieva, but he would still like the Russian singer to prove that her baby is his, according to the National Enquirer.

"Mel really loves Oksana, but he's a businessman, too. He really had no choice but to ask for a DNA test," a source says. "Mel doesn't believe that Oksana has been with anyone else, but after hearing misgivings from his children and friends, he decided he had no choice.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Demi & Ashton may hire Boyle

STAR ACT Susan Boyle is fresh out of a mental health clinic in London, and she may already be looking at some high-profile gigs. Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher were reportedly considering hiring the Britain's Got Talent sensation to perform at their anniversary party.

"Demi and Ashton think Susan is absolutely brilliant, in a fantastically unique and kitsch way," a source tells the Mirror, adding that the couple is willing to fork over $42,000 US for the performance.

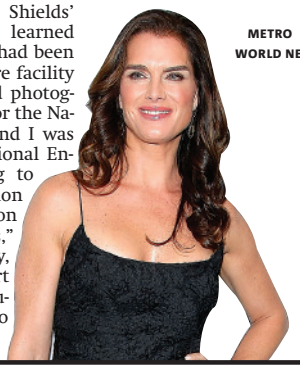
METRO WORLD NEWS

Shields & Enquirer settle

DISPUTE Actress Brooke Shields has come to an agreement with the National Enquirer after alleging the tabloid checked her mother out of a New Jersey nursing home last month, people.com reports.

"Two weeks ago, Brooke Shields was forced to make a public disclosure about her mother, Teri Shields' health, when we learned that Mrs. Shields had been taken out of a care facility by a reporter and photographer working for the National Enquirer and I was told that the National Enquirer was going to print information about her condition and whereabouts," Shields' attorney, Gerald B. Lefcourt says in an exclusive statement to People.

"I am very pleased to report that (the) National Enquirer was prevailed upon not to publish a story. Further, it has or will be apologizing publicly. Finally, it has agreed to make a generous donation to further research on dementia and to encourage others to do so."



METRO WORLD NEWS

Ferrell goes to lengths to promote new movie

STRANGE EATS Funnyman Will Ferrell will go to great lengths to promote movies — he ate a raw reindeer eyeball as part of the press build up for his new film Land of the Lost, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Anchorman star agreed to spend two days with survival expert Bear Grylls in the frozen Swedish wilderness to promote his upcoming movie on the Brit's reality TV show Man Vs. Wild.

Ferrell learned how to make snowshoes from twigs and light a signal fire — but he could have done without the culinary delights of the trip.

He tells Entertainment Weekly, "I did eat the cornea of a reindeer. Bear cut out this little gelatinous disc from the eyeball and was like, 'Here, try this!'" Ferrell admits the taste and texture was disgusting.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Brad and Angie sleeping apart?

COUPLE Things aren't going so great at home for Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, according to the Daily Mail. A source tells the newspaper that while the famous couple and their six kids are on the east coast so Jolie can film her new movie, Salt, she and Pitt have been sleeping in separate houses at opposite ends of their sprawling, rented 24-acre Long Island compound.

"Angelina spent most of her time in one of the annexes while Brad lived in the main house with its ten bedrooms," the source says. METRO WORLD NEWS

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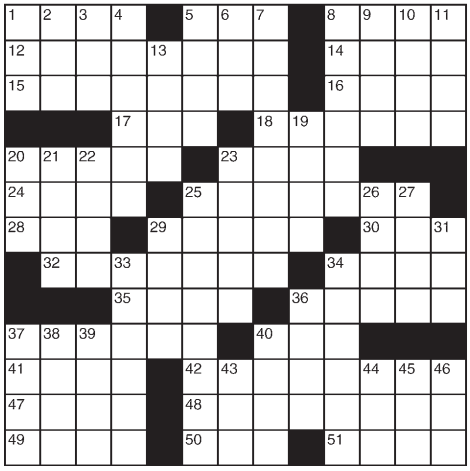

Crossword across

1 Mid-month date
5 Get on
8 Tranquil
12 Ships' warning noises
14 Solo by Sills
15 Time saver
16 Encounter
17 Monty Python opener
18 Type of monkey
20 String quartet member
23 Acerbic
24 — nitrate
25 Beauty contest, e.g.
28 Play on words
29 Wise ones
30 Dine
32 Frosty, for one
34 Long skirt
35 Knocks
36 Goosebump-inducing
37 Distance
40 Pismire
41 Neighborhood
42 Classical music lover
47 Carriage
48 Usual
49 Hotel furniture
50 Marble type
51 Needing crutches

Crossword down

1 Conditions
2 Homer's interjection
3 Id counterpart
4 Piercing
5 Curved lines
6 Wildebeest
7 Female hormone
8 Paparazzi's need
9 War god
10 Stead
11 Gymnasts' surfaces
13 Beetle Bailey dog
19 Colors
20 Upper limit
21 Ostriches' kin
22 Singer Loretta
23 Long stories
25 Brochure
26 Approach
27 Cab
29 Bat a gnat
31 Dead heat
33 Transplanted body parts
34 Kind of alcohol
36 MIT grad, maybe
37 Easter entree
38 Ontario neighbour
39 Require
40 From the top
43 Eggs
44 Oklahoma city
45 "— the Walrus"
46 Reuben bread

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

8		6		7	3			1
	1		8					2
	4		2				7	
5							1	
		7	5		1	3		
	6							5
	5				2		4	
2					8		9	
3			6	5		8		

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3	4	6	8	9	7	1	5	2
5	7	1	3	6	2	4	9	8
8	2	9	5	1	4	6	3	7
9	3	7	2	4	5	8	6	1
1	6	5	7	8	9	3	2	4
2	8	4	6	3	1	5	7	9
6	1	3	9	2	8	7	4	5
7	9	8	4	5	6	2	1	3
4	5	2	1	7	3	9	8	6

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Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Veal Stew with Dumplings

STEW:

1 tbsp (15 ml) butter, margarine or olive oil
1 lb (500 g) boneless veal, pork or lamb, trimmed and cut into 3/4-in. (1.5-cm) cubes
1 clove garlic, minced
1/4 tsp (1 ml) black pepper
3 tbsp (45 ml) all-purpose flour
3 cups (750 ml) low-sodium chicken broth
2 cups (500 ml) sliced fresh mushrooms
2 medium-size carrots, sliced 1/2 inch thick
2 stalks celery, sliced 1/2 inch thick
1 cup (250 ml) frozen small whole onions
1 cup (250 ml) dry white wine or chicken broth
2 bay leaves
2 tsp (10 ml) dried thyme
1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground nutmeg

DUMPLINGS:

3/4 cup (175 ml) all-purpose flour
1 tbsp (15 ml) chopped fresh chives or minced parsley
1 tsp (5 ml) baking powder
1/4 tsp (1 ml) black pepper
Dash salt
1/3 cup (75 ml) 1% milk
1 tbsp (15 ml) vegetable oil

METHOD:

1. For stew: In Dutch oven, melt butter over moderate heat. Add meat, garlic and 1/4 tsp (1 ml) pepper, and cook until meat is browned, 10 minutes.
2. Stir in 3 tbsp (45 ml) flour. Add broth, mushrooms, carrots, celery, onions, wine, bay leaves, thyme, 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt and nutmeg. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, 40 minutes.
3. In small bowl, combine 3/4 cup (175 ml) flour, chives, baking powder, 1/4 tsp (1 ml) pepper and dash of salt. In another small bowl, whisk milk and oil. Pour milk mixture into flour mixture. With fork, stir until mixed.
4. Drop batter into 4 mounds on top of bubbling stew. Simmer, covered, 10 minutes or until toothpicks inserted in centres come out clean (do not lift lid before 10 minutes cooking). Discard bay leaves.

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MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Be more selective about whom you associate with — and whom you are seen with. Otherwise, those who matter might think less of you.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You need to start off slow and build up momentum over time. That applies as much to romance as it does to your career.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
You may have made a few mistakes but don't beat yourself up about them. The time for learning from what went before is over; now it's time for action.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Don't feel bad if someone points out your weaknesses today. You never claimed to be perfect so there is no need to feel guilty.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
No doubt you've had your fill of watching those of lesser abilities get ahead of you. Set your sights high over the next week and hustle your way to the top.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Today's Venus-Pluto link-up will encourage you to be more adventurous, especially where family and financial matters are concerned.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
There is a lot riding on the choices you make today, so don't rush them and don't make any silly and avoidable mistakes.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You're about to face a situation in which you must compromise. That may not be easy for you, but you won't get far without other people.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
It takes character to feel good about life through the bad times, but you have character in abundance, so today's little setback won't faze you at all.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
A super aspect between Venus and Pluto in your sign makes today one of the most dynamic, creative days of the year for you. Make big plans.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
You may generally keep a tight hold on your emotions but you'll be expressive over the next few days. Let someone know how much you care.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
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